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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The reply filed on March 28, 2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): on page 2 of the amendment, the applicant has amended claim 54. However, on page 6 of the application, the applicant states that claim 54 should be withdrawn without prejudice. Clarification is required on whether or not claim 54 should be amended or withdrawn. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michele Kidwell whose telephone number is 703-305-2941. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dennis Ruhl can be reached on 703-308-2262. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-305-3590 for regular communications and 703-305-3590 for After Final communications.

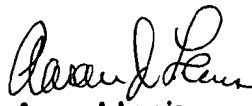
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